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### HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

#### Monday, October 20, 2014

#### Minutes of the Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Sue Hannigan, vice-chairman at 6:32 P.M.

**PRESENTATION OF GUEST SPEAKER:** Angela Atwater is the former executive director of KIDSAFE, CT in Rockville. Angela is now the president/CEO of the CORNERSTONE FOUNDATION. Tonight she gave us an overview of the agency and how she feels we can support her organization.

**PRESENT:** Yale Cantor, Helen Filloramo, Teresa Cavanagh, Sue Hannigan, Richard Petrucci, Hocine Baouche..

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motioned (Y. Cantor), Seconded (H. Filloramo) and passed by those present to accept the minutes of the September 8, 2014 meeting.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Renter's Rebate checks are being mailed out between now and December 15. The program ended October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Doris will be attending a statewide Social Services forum in Southington in which companies such as CL&P and United Illuminating will be present to discuss changes taking place in the energy programs. For the first time Operation Fuel and the utility companies will jointly sponsor this event.

On September 17 the Senior Center will host a breakfast for seniors and the North Central Area Agency on Aging.

The final payment for the former senior center location on Church Street is set to be made this month.

Arbor Commons Building Expansion Update: The list of requirements for the new building has been getting smaller and the final items needed should be totally complete within two weeks.

The Holiday Giving days in the building have been set as November 17 &18 for Thanksgiving and December 15 &16 for Christmas.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Youth Services did not receive the multi-year grant they applied for. They are waiting for the score results to know what to improve upon when submitting future applications. In January they can apply for another multi-year grant. Youth Services will also be applying for a Mental Health and Addiction Services grant in order to aid in keeping the drug counselor staffed at the high school. They will also be looking for additional funding through other grants.

On October 10<sup>th</sup> Doris and Erin met with Public Works to discuss the parking situation at the Senior Center. It was decided that the curb will be cut in the island directly in front of the building so that people don't need to walk all the way around the island. Also, the parking spaces directly in front of the building will be converted into Handicapped parking. Right now the top priorities at the Senior Center are getting the emergency generator, gas conversion, and additional parking on the side of the building.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The budget for 2015 will be discussed at the next Human Services Commission meeting in November. There will not be a meeting in December. Jean Baseel is retiring as the Assistant Director of the Senior Center.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motioned (Y. Cantor), Seconded (R. Petrucci) and passed by all those present to adjourn at 7:07 P.M.

Submitted by,

Teresa Cavanagh  
Secretary